be members of families belonging to their respective villages or side villages, and should be men of means and influence, promotion is made according to seniority and qualifications.

Village Parvatiams having no Survey Training.

65. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.— Will the Government be pleased to stateif there are any Village Parvatiams who have no survey training? If there are, will the Government kindly state why they are kept in the posts ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.— Yes. They are kept in the posts because they are efficient. They were recruited at the time of the introduction of the general Settlement, and it is not yet time to retire them under the rules.

The posting of certain Parvatiams.

66. Mr. Poulo Mampilli.— Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Parvatiams of Mattancheri, Maradu, and Kumbalanghi villages have been posted according to seniority of service ?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar. — Appointments of Parvatiams are made on sane, well-defined principles laid down by the Government, and the Parvatiams of the 3 villages have been posted in accordance with those principles. Mere seniority of service is not the only criterion in making these appointments.

Particulars of the Parvatiams in the Trichur Taluk.

67. Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—(a) How many Parvatiakkarans are there in the Trichur Taluk in (1) the first grade, (2) the second grade ?

(b) Of these in each grade, how many of them are acting and how many permanent, and of those acting, how long have they been acting, and what are their names?

(c) Is it true that one Mannath Sanku Menon, who was only a permanent Menon and acting as a second grade Parvatiam was made permanent in the first grade, superseding the claims of many in either grade? When was he made permanent in the second grade ? Was he the last in the second grade at the time of his appointment in the first grade?

(d) What was the report of the Revenue Inspector in this matter?

(e) Is Sanku Menon related to Mr. P. Govinda Menon, the Tahsildar of Trichur?

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Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—(a) & (b) A statement containing the information is given in Appendix II.

(c) Mannath Sankunni Menon, permanent Menon and acting second grade Parvatiam, was confirmed as first grade Parvatiam of Antikkad village. The claims of none were superseded. He had a very long service in which he had performed the duties of Surveyor, draughtsman, copyist, etc., carrying emoluments ranging from Rs. 20—30. He is also a very efficient and experienced hand. None of the other Menons or second grade Parvatiams in the Trichur Taluk has such qualifications.

(d) There was no report from the Revenue Inspector regarding the filling up of the first grade Parvatiam's place. It is no function of the Revenue Inspector to make such reports.

(e) Sankunni Menon has married the daughter of a distant cousin of M. R. Ry., P. Govinda Menon Avergal, who was separated by partition long ago.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Part (c) and the last two sub-divisions. There is no answer given to this part. It is a straight question, and I want a straight answer. When was he made permanent in the second grade?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—That answer is given. The date of his first appointment is 5th Meenam 1078.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—When was he made permanent in the second grade?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—He is only acting and not made permanent. One's being made permanent in the second grade is not the condition upon which promotion to the first grade is made.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Was he not the last in the second grade?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—He was drawing Rs. 12. Whenever there is a vacancy, we see whether the applicant satisfies all the conditions; then he will be given a first grade Parvatiakkaran's place.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Was he not the last person to be appointed to the second grade, and was he appointed after all those mentioned on page 9 were promoted to the second grade?

President.—I find it is only an acting second grade. That is what the Diwan Peishkar says. Of course, your objection is

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with regard to his being made permanent. That contingency does not arise now.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Without his being appointed in the second grade?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—Yes. That necessity does not arise now.

The increase of pay to Village Officers.

68. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have passed any order with regard to the increase of pay to the Village Officers in accordance with the recommendations by the Diwan Peishkar some time ago?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The member is referred to the answer to question No. 88 at the Vrischigam session of the Council, which contains the conclusions of the Government on the subject.

69. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have ever considered that, if the Village Officers are not given proper pay, they will try to get the deficiency by receiving undue presents from the ryots, and thus cause greater hardship to the public?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The question is rather hypothetical. It is a matter of opinion.

Cases of bribery against the Village Officers.

70. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether any case of bribery on Village Officers has been brought to the notice of the Government in the last two years, and if so, how many of them were given punishment of any kind for such bad practice?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No such case has been brought to light during the last two years.

71. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have issued any order to the authorities of the department to make all possible enquiries in consultation with persons of some rank in the locality about the character and behaviour of such Village Officers?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—No. Enquiries are made by officers of the Government in the manner they think best.

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APPENDIX I.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 63).

List of Parvatiams.

1 T. Sankunni Kaimal
2 M. Madhava Wariar
3 K. Govinda Pisharodi
4 M. Nanu Menon
5 M. Narayana Menokki
6 C. V. Joseph
7 M. Sankara Menon
8 K. Kuruvilla
9 E. Rama Wariar
10 K. Madhava Menon
11 A. Krishna Menon
12 U. Kittunni Menon
13 C. Narayana Menon
14 R. K. Govindan
15 A. Krishna Wariar
16 N. Subrahmanya Ayyar
17 C. Sreedhara Menon
18 P. Ikkanda Kaimal
19 K. Narayana Menon
20 T. Vasudevan Nambudiri
21 K. Ayyappa Menon
22 C. Raman Eluttassan
23 C. C. Cheru
24 P. Raman Nayar
25 M. Sankunni Menon
26 V. Rama Pattar
27 A. Kunjukrishnan Nayar
28 K. N. Venkiteswara Ayyar
29 P. Raman Nambiyar
30 T. Kunjan Nayar
31 K. M. Bappu
32 K. Vasudevan Nambudiri
33 K. Sekhara Menon
34 V. Govindan Nayar
35 K. Govindanunni Nayar
36 R. S. Pachyappa Goundan
37 T. V. Vaidyanatha Ayyar
38 N. S. Vaidyanatha Ayyar
39 K. M. Krishnan
40 A. K. Damodaran Unni Kartha
41 P. Parameswara Menon
42 P. K. Kochukutta Panikkar
43 K. A. Subrahmanya Ayyar

APPENDIX II.

(Vide Answer to Question No. 67).

Permanent First Grade Parvatiams.

	Name	Designation	Date of 1st appointment			Date of confirmation in the 1st grade			Remarks
1	P. Kittunni Menon ..	Parvatiam, Pulakkal	25	3	1075	16	1	1101	
2	A. Sankunni Menon ...	do Viyyur Group	25	6	1072	7	1	1090	
3	S. Sahasranama Ayyar ...	do Trichur	5	1	1077	1	1	1097	
4	C. Raman Menon ...	do Ayyantole Group	1	2	1071	20	6	1089	
5	V. Nanu Menon ..	do Pullalı do	14	11	1073	29	9	1098	
6	Poulose ...	do Chiyyaram do	5	1	1080	1	1	1097	
7	K. K. Ouseph ...	do Madakkattara	26	1	1078	1	1	1097	
8	T. Govinda Menon ...	do Panancheri	10	8	1071	1	6	1090	
9	N. Kunjan Menon ..	do Manalur	3	10	1074	9	5	1098	
10	M. Sankunni Menon ...	do Antikkad	5	8	1078	1	5	1101	

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Acting First Grade Parvatiams.

	Name	Designation	Date of 1st appointment			Date of appointment to act in the 1st grade			Remarks
1	T. Govinda Menon ...	Parvatiam, Panancheri (Permanent Parvatiam, Kainur)	20	8	1077	14	1	1101	
2	C. R. Devassi ...	Parvatiam, Pullali (Permanent Menon, Pullali)	11	2	1097	9	9	1101	

Permanent Second Grade Parvatiams.

	Name	Designation	Date of 1st appointment			Date of confirmation as 2nd grade Parvatiam			Remarks
1	T. Vasudevan Nambiyar ...	Parvatiam, Anjur Group	3	4	1084	18	8	1099	
2	M. Ravunni Menon ...	do Avanur do	1	10	1087	8	10	1101	
3	K. Narayana Menon ...	do Peramangalam	1	8	1099	1	8	1099	
4	C. Cheru ...	do Edakkolattur	1	8	1086	16	1	1101	
5	M. Kunju Kurup ...	do Adat	2	1	1084	8	8	1093	
6	K. Raman Menon ...	do Kuttur	3	3	1082	11	6	1097	
7	M. Ravunni Menon ...	do Kolali	24	1	1079	1	9	1097	
8	C. V. Achyuta Wariar ...	do Ollukkara	2	1	1084	1	5	1101	
9	E. A. Parameswara Ayyar ...	do Manakode	1	3	1082	19	4	1095	
10	P. Raman Nayar ...	do Parakkad	1	3	1082	29	9	1098	
11	P. Devassi ...	do Karamukku	1	3	1082	23	1	1089	
12	K. A. Lazar ...	do Padiyam	2	1	1084	4	2	1090	
13	A. Sankara Menon ...	do Vadakkummuri	5	2	1084	12	3	1098	
14	K. V. Thamban ...	do Thaniam	1	1	1090	9	5	1098	
15	Theyya Panichan ...	do Kurimpilavu	2	1	1084	16	1	1098	
16	C. K. Keralavarma Tampan ...	do Chalur	6	9	1087	6	9	1087	...
17	P. Ikkanda Kaimal ...	do Parlam	1	3	1085	15	7	1099	
18	V. Sanku Menon ...	do Urakam	13	2	1084	9	9	1098	
19	C. Raman Eluttassan ...	do Palisseri	24	3	1088	14	10	1100	..
20	P. Raman Nayar ...	do Vallachira	27	11	1072	9	3	1101	
21	K. Ayyappa Menon ...	do Ollur	2	1	1084	21	8	1100	
22	T. Achyuta Menon ...	do Nadattra	11	8	1081	4	8	1090	..
23	V. Krishnan ...	do Puttur	15	3	1094	6	4	1096	
24	T. Govinda Menon ...	do Kainur	20	8	1077	7	11	1080	

Acting Second Grade Parvatiams.

	Name	Designation	Date of 1st appointment			Date of appointment to act in the 2nd grade			Remarks
1	T. Kochukrishna Menon ...	Parvatiam, Kuttur Group (Permanent Menon, Kuttur group)	1	12	1100	1		1101	
2	V. K. Krishnan ...	Parvatiam, Puttur (No permanent appointment)	18	8	1101	18	8	1101	
3	C. Govinda Menon (Permanent Menon) ...	Parvatiam, Kainur (Chiyyaram Group)	23	3	1086	2	5	1101	

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